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Amendments to the Claims

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1. (Currently Amended) A system for routing a call between first and second telephone line interfaces depending on a service to be connected to an entered number, the system comprising:

a telephone digit detector for detecting and buffering a series of digits received from a telephone line connector;

a telephone number comparator call processor for determining if the buffered series of digits matches a stored telephone number; and

a telephone line switch for directing an outgoing call to <u>one of (1)</u> the first telephone line interface if the telephone number comparator indicates that the buffered series of digits matches the stored telephone number and (2) the second telephone line interface if the telephone number comparator indicates that the buffered series of digits does not match any stored telephone number <u>based</u> on an output of the call processor, wherein the call processor further comprises a telephone number converter for converting the buffered series of digits from a first number, accessible by the first telephone line interface but not accessible via the second telephone line interfaces, to a second number, accessible via the first and second telephone line interfaces, such that the call processor directs the outgoing call to the second telephone line interface using the second number.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the stored telephone number comprises an emergency number a toll-free number.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The system as claimed in claim 2, wherein the emergency number comprises 911 toll-free number comprises an 800 number.
- 4. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the stored telephone number comprises an information number.

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5. (Currently Amended) The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the information number comprises 411 an 800 number.

- 6. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the second telephone line interface comprises a Voice-over-IP interface.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A method for routing a call between first and second telephone line interfaces depending on a service to be connected to an entered number, the method comprising:

detecting and buffering a series of digits received from a telephone line connector;

determining if the buffered series of digits matches a stored telephone number;

directing an outgoing call to one of (1) the first telephone line interface if the buffered series of digits matches the stored telephone number and (2) the second telephone line interface if the buffered series of digits does not match any stored telephone number based on an output of the determining step, wherein the step of determining further comprises converting the buffered series of digits from a first number, accessible by the first telephone line interface but not accessible via the second telephone line interface, to a second number, accessible via the first and second telephone line interfaces, such that the call processor directs the outgoing call to the second telephone line interface using the second number.

- 8. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the stored telephone number comprises an emergency number a toll-free number.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the emergency number comprises 911 toll-free number comprises an 800 number.
 - 10. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the stored

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telephone number comprises an information number.

11. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the information number comprises 411 an 800 number.

12. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the second telephone line interface comprises a Voice-over-IP interface.

